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1. In contradiction to numerous rumors to the effect that the KPD Landesleitung in Bavaria had issued instructions barring the admission of new members to the party, neither the KPD Landesleitung in Bavaria nor any other Landesleitung in Western Germany has issued such a directive. On the contrary, the KPD Landesleitungen issued circular letters directing party members to intensify their efforts to recruit new members.
2. The rumors concerning suspension of the recruiting program were probably occasioned by the fact that more stringent regulations for admission to the KPD were issued. These new directives provide that each applicant be subjected to a thorough background investigation. At the same time he is required to name two character references who have been KPD members for at least one year and will be responsible for his conduct. If a party aspirant is unable to name such references and the party nevertheless is interested in admitting him, the Kreisleitung involved assumes responsibility for him.

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